

## THE FRATERNITY OF THE PIOUS SCHOOLS

# Second General Assembly of the Fraternity

"In response to the wishes of Vatican II calling for a more active participation of the laity in the life of the Church, you have opened the way for the Piarist Fraternities, inviting men and women of goodwill to share your charism and mission, fostering a rich variety of vocations." (Pope Francis, Message to the Pious Schools on the occasion of the Calasanctian Jubilee Year).

## **I-INTRODUCTION**

## **II-THREE BACKGROUND CONVICTIONS**

- 1. The Fraternity of the Pious Schools is a GIFT OF THE HOLY SPIRIT to the Church, the Order, and the Calasanctian Mission.
- 2. BEING FRATERNAL is a new vocation in the Church and in the Pious Schools.
- 3. The Piarist Fraternity is a modality of PARTICIPATION in the Pious Schools.

#### **III-SOME CONTEXT KEYS**

## A. OUR WORLD

## B. OUR CHURCH

- a. Synodality
- b. Fratelli Tutti
- c. The Global Education Pact
- d. Not to clericalism.

#### C. PIOUS SCHOOLS

- a. Christ is the center of everything,
- b. The dynamism "GOING FORTH"
- c. The comprehensive sustainability of the Pious Schools

#### IV-SOME LEARNINGS ON OUR WALK

- 1. The Fraternity has grown a lot.
- 2. We have undergone vocational clarification processes.
- 3. From birth we have had missionary awareness and availability.
- 4. Fraternity is increasingly present in the life of the Pious Schools.
- 5. The development of the Itaka-Escolapios network
- 6. The growth of ministeriality in the Fraternity.
- 7. The impetus of a rich variety of vocations.

## V-SOME OPEN ROADS WE CAN TRAVEL

1. We can call the first "learning to grow".





- 2. The proper location of the Fraternity in the various levels of life of the Pious Schools.
- 3. "Increasing fidelity."
- 4. Basic synodality
- 5. A sufficiently effective accompaniment structure of the Fraternities.
- 6. The co-responsibility of the Fraternity in the most significant dynamisms of the construction of the Piarist Christian Community.
- 7. The role of the Fraternity in the development of the Order's vocational approaches to religious and priestly vocation.
- 8. I referred above to the missionary challenge.

## **VI- THREE CONCRETE PROPOSALS**

- A. FOR THE ORDER.
- B. FOR THE FRATERNITY.
- C. FOR ALL THE PIOUS SCHOOLS

### VII-CONCLUSION

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